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Docket No.: 050212-0514

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Motoki KAKUI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8492
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Application No.: 10/615,389	:	Group Art Unit: 3663
	:	Allowed: November 13, 2007
Filed: July 09, 2003	:	Examiner: Ari M. Diacou
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For: OPTICAL AMPLIFICATION MODULE OPTICAL AMPLIFICATION APPARATUS AND OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM		

REQUEST FOR COMPLETE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE CITED ART

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Sir:

We are in receipt of the Supplemental Notice of Allowance dated December 11, 2007.

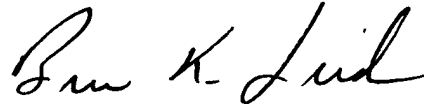
It is noted that we have not received **complete** acknowledgement of the Information Disclosure Statement and cited art filed November 30, 2007. Specifically, **JP 2002-145636 dated 05-22-2002** listed under "**Foreign Patent Documents**" is not initialed by the Examiner. Enclosed are copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and stamped return postcard acknowledgement. Also enclosed please find a copy of the partially initialed PTO-1449 received with the Supplemental Notice of Allowance dated December 11, 2007.

Applicant hereby respectfully requests that:

- (1) the **completely** acknowledged PTO-1449 be furnished to Applicant; and
- (2) the record be clarified to confirm that the cited art has been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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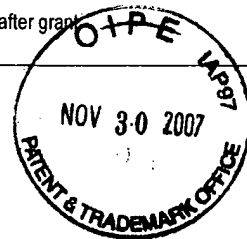
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the U.S. filing date and after the mailing date of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the Issue Fee.

**REQUEST TO CONSIDER REFERENCES AFTER CLOSE OF PROSECUTION AND
BEFORE PAYMENT OF ISSUE FEE**

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the documents be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents be made of record therein and appear among the

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"References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Please charge the processing fee under 1.17(p) of \$180.00 to Deposit Account .

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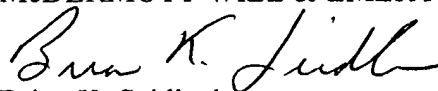
The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement as described in 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1).

The reference was cited in a corresponding Japanese Office Action and its relevance is discussed therein. A copy of the Japanese Office Action, together with an English language version thereof, is attached for the Examiner's information.

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